



Virginia Powell Holt

June 8, 1920 - January 17, 2018

Virginia Powell Holt died at the age of 97 years, 7 months and 9 days on January 17, 2018. After a couple months stay in the wonderful and loving Ozark Nursing Home, “Granny Holt” passed away peacefully into the arms of her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She was surrounded by family full of love, sweat, and tears knowing full well we will see her again and that she was more than ready to go to her Heavenly Home.

Born the third of four girls Virginia entered this world on June 8, 1920 to Luther L. Powell and Nellie Marie Fleming Powell on the farm in the prairie View Community near Charleston, Arkansas. She attended Prairie View Baptist Church and graduated Salutatorian of the class of 1938 from Branch High School. She attended a Commercial College in Fort Smith, Arkansas paying her own way to school by boarding with a family and taking care of their baby. She worked in Ozark for the local Dodgen’s Processing Plant, Arkansas Valley Electric, and several years as head secretary for the Vocational Technical School which is now Arkansas Tech Ozark Campus. Virginia married Jeff “Stumpy” Holt on July 26, 1940. They were married for forty nine years before his passing on August 2, 1989. They lived on School Street in Ozark where Virginia cooked many a meal for many friends and family. They raised five children in this home of love and support. Stumpy and Virginia moved to Faith Addition in the 1970’s where she lived for almost thirty years by herself. She was extremely independent and of solid mind to care for her own affairs. She was always prepared for life, extremely hard working.

Virginia always paid close attention to ballgames and successes of her children, fourteen grandchildren, twenty eight great-grandchildren, and one great-great granddaughter. It is noted that close to thirty of her family members are in public service jobs caring for others—which she so eloquently taught all who knew her. She loved taking care of her family and loved each one with a unique and very special attention and love.

Virginia “Granny” Holt was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one son, Tommy Jeff Holt, two sisters, Catherine Pyle and Margarite Biggs, two grandsons, Matthew Todd Holt and Jimmy Wade Banning, and one great-granddaughter, Cassandra Michelle “Cassie” Lemley.

She is survived by her children, Peggy Banning and husband Jerry of Ozark, Betty Jo Cochran and friend Marsha Rogers of Hot Springs, Jack Holt and wife Vicki of Greenwood, William Carl “Bill” Holt of Ozark, Amber Rofkahr and husband Corey of Ozark, and a sister, Francis Powell Schilling of Raymond, Mississippi.

The funeral services were held in Ozark at Shaffer Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, January 20, 2018 with Greg Willhite serving as Celebrant.

Pallbearers were her grandsons, Jeff Holt, Michael Banning, Keith Holt, Danny Brian Cochran, Scott Cochran, and Stephen Banning. Honorary pallbearers were her granddaughters.

To leave online condolences visit our website: shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Cemetery Details

Highland Cemetery

Highway 64 West
Ozark, AR 72949

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 19 (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home
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Service

JAN 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Shaffer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Virginia Powell Holt*



Shaffer Funeral Home - January 19, 2018 at 02:17 PM

PP

Great trip down memory lane!

Philip Pile - January 20, 2018 at 09:37 AM

LM

What a wonderful tribute to Ms. Virginia!!! So sorry for your great loss. Prayers for comfort and peace for all the family.

Lucille Martin

Lucille Martin - January 20, 2018 at 12:05 PM

SM

Miss Virginia was a loving woman. I will never forget her smile and kindness.

Sally Foster Matlock - January 20, 2018 at 04:20 PM

JH

Such a sweet precious kind lady. Many precious memories of being in her home growing up. A great friend of my mom too. Love and heartfelt sympathy to all the family. Jackie Hill

Jackie Hill - January 21, 2018 at 09:35 AM



“ Virginia Powell Holt

January 30, 2023 at 02:28 AM



“ *What a wonderful tribute to Granny Holt. I wish I had known her better. I knew her through her children and g-children and conversations with Jack and Zeke. She was a "SUPERWOMAN" What an accomplished life of service to humanity and her God and Saviour. She will certainly be missed by all who knew and loved her. Prayers of comfort and peace for all the family members and friends who remain to cherish her memory.*

Brenda Burns - January 20, 2018 at 11:25 AM



“ *Stephen, Mary Jo, Taylor, James, & Michael Pile purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Virginia Powell Holt.*



Stephen, Mary Jo, Taylor, James, & Michael Pile - January 19, 2018 at 03:18 PM



“ *The Piles - Phil, Beth, Chris, Lisa and Rose purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Virginia Powell Holt.*



The Piles - Phil, Beth, Chris, Lisa and Rose - January 19, 2018 at 11:54 AM